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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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Examiner: A. Bello

For: OPTICAL TRANSMISSION APPARATUS AND METHOD WHICH ADJUST RISE AND FALL TIME OF SIGNAL LIGHT TO BE TRANSMITTED

AMENDMENT

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed November 6, 2002, and having a period for response set to expire on February 6, 2003.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please CANCEL claims 2, 3 and 4 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please AMEND the claims as indicated below:

For the convenience of the Examiner, all the pending claims are listed below, whether or not the claims are amended herein.

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1. (TWICE AMENDED) An apparatus comprising:
an optical transmitter comprising
a light source emitting a light,
a modulation signal generator generating an electrical modulation signal having a
corresponding rise time and fall time,
an adjusting circuit adjusting at least one of the rise time and fall time of the